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SUBJECT: NEWS MEDIA REPORT TURKISH GENERALS "TORPEDO"  
SECRETARY'S MISSION IN ANKARA

1. ACCORDING TO ATHENS RADIO AND NEWSPAPER REPORTS, THE  
TURKISH GENERALS INTERVENED IN THE SECRETARY'S  
NEGOTIATIONS WITH PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL AND, IN EFFECT,  
TORPEDOED ANY POSSIBILITY OR HOPE FOR AN AGREEMENT ON THE  
CYPRUS QUESTION.

2. THE REPORTS, DATELINED ANKARA, FRIDAY (MAY 23), ARE  
BASED ON A UPI STORY WHICH SAYS THAT TURKISH GENERAL STAFF  
SOURCES ANNOUNCED LATE AFTER MIDNIGHT THAT TURKISH MILITARY  
LEADERS (UNNAMED) INTERVENED AND ADVISED THE TURKISH  
GOVT IT SHOULD IMMEDIATELY DROP EVEN THE IDEA OF A  
DISCUSSION ABOUT THE RETURN OF GREEK CYPRIOT REFUGEES TO  
THEIR HOMES IN THE AREAS OCCUPIED BY TURKISH TROOPS.

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3. THE TURKISH GENERALS REPORTEDLY ALSO FORBADE GOT TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD CREATE A STRONG FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR CYPRUS. STILL QUOTING UPI, LOCAL NEWS ACCOUNTS ADDED THAT THE ONLY MARGIN FOR NEGOTIATION PERMITTED BY THE TURKISH GENERAL STAFF WAS THE QUESTION OF THE PERCENTAGE OF TURKISH OCCUPIED TERRITORY WHICH COULD BE RETURNED TO THE GREEK CYPRIOTS. NEWSPAPER ARTICLES ADDED THAT ACCORDING TO ASSOCIATED PRESS SECRETARY KISSINGER DECLARED TO TURKISH GOVT OFFICIALS THAT WITHOUT SUBSTANTIAL CONCESSIONS WITH REGARD TO CYPRUS THERE WOULD BE NO CHANCE OF A RESUMPTION OF US MILITARY ASSISTANCE.  
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